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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS STATE  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY WILL BE HELD IN THE CAP-  
ITOL BUILDING AT SPRINGFIELD, ON THURSDAY AND  
FRIDAY, MAY 13-14, 1915.

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This year is the fiftieth anniversary of the close of the great War between the States. As the year 1914 was the one hundredth year of peace between the United States and Great Britain, so the year 1915 is the fiftieth year of peace among our own people. Four years ago the Historical Society observed by a solemn memorial service the fiftieth anniversary of the breaking out of the War. And in a different manner we now observe this anniversary of the end of that cruel war. In contrast with the dreadful war in Europe, we may with deep thankfulness observe anniversaries of peace. The Historical Society will ask the Grand Army of the Republic, The Loyal Legion, The Sons of Veterans, The Spanish-American War Veterans, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies Auxiliary to the G. A. R., the Dames of the Loyal Legion, the Sons and

Daughters of the American Revolution, the United Daughters of 1812, and other patriotic organizations to participate in the celebration.

Judge W. G. Cochran, of Sullivan, Ill., Past Commander of the Illinois Department of the G. A. R., will deliver the annual address and other able speakers will participate in the meeting. The program committee and officers of the Historical Society earnestly request members of the Society to take an interest in this celebration and to attend its sessions.

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### CELEBRATION OF ILLINOIS DAY.

DECEMBER 3, 1914.

The Commercial Association of Springfield, Illinois on December 3, 1914, gave a reception and banquet at the St. Nicholas Hotel in honor of the Illinois State Centennial Commission which met in Springfield on that day. The directors and members of the Illinois State Historical Society were also especially invited. Both ladies and gentlemen were invited to attend the celebration and there was a very large attendance. Addresses relating to the approaching centennial celebration were made by Gov. Edward F. Dunne, Hon. Hugh S. Magill, Jr., Chairman of the Centennial Commission; Hon. Kent E. Keller, also a member of the commission, and by Hon. Everett Jennings. Hon. William A. Northcott, president of the Commercial Association presided over the meeting and in a most happy manner introduced the speakers.

Hon. Clark E. Carr, honorary president of the Historical Society, who had been invited to speak at the banquet, wrote a letter expressing regret that he was unable to do so. The letter which contained much valuable historical information, with a picture of Colonel Carr, was printed by the Commercial Association and presented to the guests as a souvenir of the occasion. A valuable and interesting chronology of the State of Illinois compiled by Hon. Charles M. Tinney, secretary of the Commercial Association and printed as a small pamphlet was also given to the guests, as was a handsome menu booklet

which contained words of the songs sung during the evening. The musical numbers were very much enjoyed.

The ladies and gentlemen attending the banquet were all enthusiastic in their approval of plans for the Centennial celebration including the Centennial Memorial Building.

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### THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the American Historical Association was held in Chicago, December 28, 29, 30, 1914. An unusually large number of historical workers were present and the meetings were of great interest.

Dr. Otto L. Schmidt, President of the Illinois State Historical Society was a member of the Committee on Arrangements and did much to add to the pleasure and comfort of the members of the Association.

The Mississippi Valley Historical Association held its semi-annual meeting in Chicago at the same time.

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### ILLINOIS STATE CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The plans for the celebration of the centennial of the State of Illinois are progressing in a satisfactory manner.

The Committee on Centennial Memorial publications of which Dr. Otto L. Schmidt is chairman has its plans well matured.

Authors and editors are for the most part selected.

The Centennial Memorial Publication series will consist of six volumes the first of which will be entitled Illinois in 1818. It will embrace an account of social, economic and political conditions of Illinois at the close of its territorial period; of the organization of the state and its admission to the Union. This will be edited by Dr. Solon J. Buck a member of the Illinois State Historical Society, and whose work on volume Nine of the Illinois Historical Collections, entitled a bibliography of travels in Illinois 1765-1865 has received the highest praise from historical students. Dr. Buck is now secretary of the Minnesota Historical Society. This will be the first volume

published. The other five numbers are to be a series of volumes relating to the different periods of State history.

The series will be issued under the general editorship of Prof. Clarence W. Alvord of the University of Illinois whose work on the Illinois Historical Collections has gained for him a reputation which is second to none in the field of western history. Several other historical writers have been secured to edit special volumes of the series for which their ability and experience have made them particularly well qualified.

The several volumes are to bear the following titles:

Volume I.—Illinois, Province and Territory, 1673-1818.

Volume II.—The Frontier State, 1818-1848.

Volume III.—The Era of Transition, 1848-1870.

Volume IV.—The Industrial State, 1870-1893.

Volume V.—The Modern Commonwealth, 1893-1918.

It is expected that these volumes will be written in a narrative style which will be attractive to the general reader but there will be notes and bibliographical apparatus which will make them valuable for the use of scholars.

The other committees of the Centennial Commission are of course not so well advanced in their work as the work for the actual celebration, the pageant and exposition will in the main come nearer to the time of the centennial in 1918.

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#### LINCOLN MEMORIAL EXHIBIT AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

The Illinois State Building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition is about completed and is one of the most attractive buildings on the Exposition grounds.

The Illinois Commissioners have attempted to arrange for the comfort and convenience of Illinoisans visiting the exposition. Rest rooms, and meeting places and places for registration will be provided. A magnificent pipe organ has been placed in the building and entertainments will be given in a large assembly hall.

A Lincoln Memorial room is a special feature of the building.

A Lincoln Memorial Committee of the State Commission has been appointed of which State Senator Hon. N. Elmo Franklin of McLean County, is chairman, and under the direction of this committee a Lincoln exhibit has been prepared by Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber, secretary of the Illinois State Historical Society. Mrs. Weber has asked the advice and co-operation of the most prominent Lincoln collectors and they have responded with enthusiasm and have given substantial aid to the project.

Among those who have assisted Mrs. Weber in the work are Mr. F. H. Meserve, Mr. Judd Stewart of New York, Miss Helen Nicolay, and the family of the late John Hay, and the Library of Congress of Washington, D. C.; Mr. Jesse W. Weik of Greencastle, Indiana; Mrs. Gertrude P. Swift of Ottawa, Kansas; the Chictgo Historical Society, Mr. C. F. Gunther, of Chicago, Gen. Walter R. Robbins and Mr. Charles Vaughn of the G. A. R. Memorial Hall of Chicago; Mrs. Josephine G. Prickett of Edwardsville, Ill.; Mrs. Walter L. Patterson, Hon. Clinton L. Conkling, Maj. E. S. Johnson, Mr. H. E. Barker, Miss Alice and Miss Ella Dorthirt of Springfield; Mr. Frederick M. Steele of Highland Park, Ill.; Mr. John S. Little of Rushville, Ill.; Mr. Edward G. Miner of Rochester, N. Y., and many others.

The exhibit consists of a history of the life of Abraham Lincoln in pictures, letters and documents. It is placed in eighteen flat wall cases, and is under glass. The frames or cases are arranged in chronological order and each item is carefully labeled. Above these cases are hung portraits of Mr. Lincoln, his family and his associates. There are also four glass show cases which contain relics and larger articles.

Mrs. Weber will go to San Francisco and personally superintend the installation of the exhibit.

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#### PLANS FOR A CENTENNIAL MEMORIAL BUILDING.

The State Educational Building Commission which was created by the Forty-seventh and continued by the Forty-eighth General Assembly of Illinois for the purpose of considering

the question of the erection of a new state building to house the Illinois State Historical Library and Historical Society, the State Department of Education and perhaps other departments of similar nature, to suggest a site and make plans for the building, met recently with committees from the State Art Commission and the State Centennial Commission. This joint committee made a thorough examination of conditions and it is believed that some plan will be devised to relieve the overcrowded condition of the State Capitol Building.

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TABLET TO ILLINOIS SOLDIERS OF THE WAR  
OF 1812.

On January 12, 1915 a beautiful bronze tablet to the Illinois Soldiers and Rangers who protected the frontier settlements of Illinois during the Second War with Great Britain was dedicated. The tablet is the work of Miss Nelly Walker a sculptor of Chicago, a pupil of Lorado Taft, and herself a descendant of a soldier of the war of 1812.

It represents a ranger of the Territorial period of the State. The figure is in high relief and the inscription is in low relief. The tablet has been placed on the wall at the north end of the State Library room, and the understanding is that when a new Historical Society or Educational Building is erected a special place will be made in it for the tablet.

The last session of the Legislature appropriated twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars for this tablet, and Governor Dunne appointed a commission to carry out the provisions of the act appropriating the money. Of this commission Mrs. Robert Hall Wiles was Chairman.

On the occasion of the dedication of the tablet Mrs. Wiles presided over the meeting and gave into the custody of the State the tablet as the conclusion and result of the work of the Commission.

Governor Dunne accepted it on behalf of the State. The historical address was made by President E. J. James of the University of Illinois.

Mrs. S. W. Earle, Illinois State President of the United Daughters of 1812, also delivered an interesting historical address. A few graceful words were spoken by the sculptor Miss Walker.

It was an inspiring and interesting occasion and the tablet is a beautiful and enduring tribute to the pioneers of the State who did inestimable service in the pioneer days of Illinois.

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**RECEPTION TO MRS. GEORGE T. PAGE, STATE REGENT OF THE ILLINOIS DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

On January 12, 1915, the day of the dedication of the tablet to the Soldiers of the War of 1812, already mentioned, a reception was given in the rooms of the Illinois State Historical Library and Society to Mrs. George T. Page, State Regent of the Illinois Daughters of the American Revolution, and to the Daughters of 1812, by the Springfield Chapter D. A. R. At the conclusion of the dedicatory services the audience was invited to go to the Historical Library, which is on the same floor of the Capitol building as the State Library in which the dedicatory exercises were held, and be presented to the distinguished visitors and partake of refreshments which were offered by the Springfield D. A. R.

The guests were received by Mrs. C. J. Doyle regent of the Springfield Chapter, Mrs. Page, the State Regent, and Mrs. Wiles, Mrs. Earle, and the sculptor, Miss Walker.

The Historical Library had been transformed by decorations of American flags and flowers, and the visitors were made heartily welcome by a committee of ladies of the Chapter of which Mrs. Arthur Huntington was chairman. All the members of the committee are eligible to membership in the Society of the Daughters of 1812.

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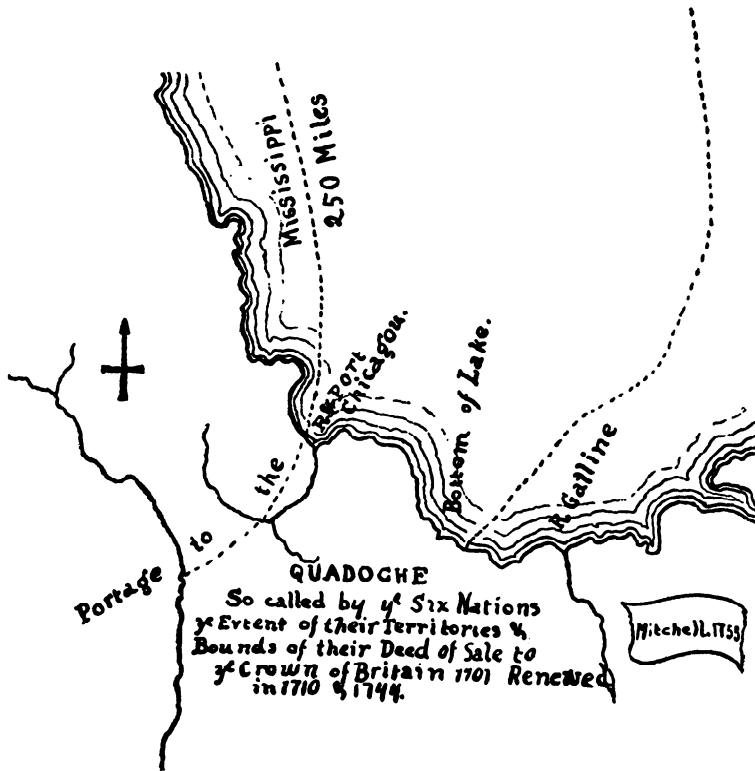
**QUATHOGHE.**

BY J. F. STEWARD.

In a recent article the question was again raised as to the meaning of the above word. Turning to "Colden's Indians,"

page XLVIII, of the introduction, we find that it is the Iroquois name for the Hurons, really the "Wyandots." On page 508, of Drake's Indians, we find the words "Quathoghies or Hurons." On Mitchell's map of 1755 we find the explanation. Many maps in my collection have the line of demarkation, with and without the word.

The accompanying cut is self-explanatory.



## CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS, JANUARY 8, 9, 10, 1915.

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE LOUISIANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Centennial Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans

was celebrated at New Orleans, under the auspices of the Louisiana Historical Society.

The very elaborate preparations that were being planned both in England and in America for the celebration of the one hundred years of peace between the two great nations, on December 24, 1914, the centennial date of the Treaty of Ghent were interrupted by the great war in Europe, but the fact that the last conflict of the war of 1812-1814, took place near New Orleans and is known in history as the Battle of New Orleans made it appropriate that the State of Louisiana, the city of New Orleans and the Louisiana Historical Society should in some significant way celebrate the anniversary of the battle. Accordingly, the Louisiana Historical Society appointed a committee to take up the matter of a proper commemoration of this great international anniversary. After consultation with the Louisiana members of Congress and of the United States Senate it was determined that the Society petition the State of Louisiana and the city of New Orleans to assist and make official by their sanction this movement.

Properly accredited with local support, and the state having appropriated a fund for the purpose, and although the first and more elaborate plans were necessarily changed by the European war, the Louisiana Historical Society prepared a splendid program which was most successfully carried out as follows:

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 1915.

Rendezvous before New Orleans of warships of the United States. Salvo of one hundred guns at 9 a. m.

10 a. m.—Naval parade to Chalmette battle-ground and military participation at the monument ceremonies.

Noon—Official unveiling of the Chalmette Monument by the United States Daughters of 1776 and 1812.

Salute by Washington Artillery.

Chorus—"God Save the King," and "The Star Spangled Banner."

4 p. m.—Te Deum, at Ursuline's Chapel followed by a reception.

8 p. m.—Reception at the Athenaeum with character dances of the period of 1812.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1915.

9 a. m.—Visiting United States military forces, and militia from Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi assembled at Washington Artillery Hall, from whence National and State officials and distinguished guests, escorted by local troops proceeded in parade to the old Spanish Armory, at the Cabildo, where was opened a permanent Battle Abbey museum exhibit in honor of Louisiana arms, showing the part which that province, territory, and, later, State, has taken in the upbuilding of this nation by the valiant holding of the settlement at the mouth of the Mississippi and in other fields.

2 p. m.—Cereemonial and reception at the Louisiana State Museum by the Louisiana Historical Society.

7:30 p. m.—Banquet to National and State officials and distinguished guests.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 1915.

10 a. m.—Cereemonial pageant in Jackson Square replicating in every detail the "crowning of Old Hickory," as given after the battle of New Orleans in 1815.

The eighteen states of the Union of that period were represented by young ladies in appropriate costume surrounding a triumphal arch.

A grand pontifical mass and te deum in the St. Louis Cathedral followed as in the original thanksgiving ceremony.

Noon Parade of the Uniformed Ranks of Civic and Patriotic societies of the City of New Orleans, formed at Jackson Square.

Guests of the city of New Orleans were given medals of some composition, in replica of the gold medal given by Congress to Andrew Jackson in 1815.

They were also given white silk badges, which were reproductions of the badges worn at a banquet given General Jackson by the city of New Orleans in 1840.

All members of the Societies of the Sons and the Daughters of 1812 were invited and many attended the celebration.

At the banquet each guest was also given a solid silver spoon, commemorative of the Battle of New Orleans. Illinois was represented by Mrs. S. W. Earle, State President of the United Daughters of 1812, and by Mrs. Robert Hall Wiles, chairman of the Illinois Commission for placing in the Illinois State Capitol the memorial tablet to the Soldiers of 1812. Mrs. Wiles is also a member of the Illinois State Historical Society.

Another member of the Illinois State Historical Society was one of the most earnest workers and an important factor in the success of the Centennial observance, Mr. W. O. Hart, of New Orleans, chairman of the Invitation Committee, and toast master at the banquet, being a member of the Illinois Society, as well as one of the most prominent members of the Louisiana Historical Society.

The celebration was a memorable one and the Louisiana Historical Society and the people of New Orleans are to be congratulated upon its character and its complete success.

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**NATIONAL SOCIETY UNITED STATES DAUGHTERS  
OF 1812, STATE OF MISSOURI, TO OBSERVE  
THE RATIFICATION OF PEACE BE-  
TWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND  
THE UNITED STATES.**

*To the Historical and Patriotic Societies Army and Navy:*

A Centennial Memorial Celebration will be held under the auspices of the National Society United States Daughters of 1812 of Missouri, in Saint Louis, at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial, February 16, 1915, to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the Ratification of International Peace between Great Britain and the United States.

A bronze tablet containing a Biographical Allegory of the Famous men of the Heroic Age in Missouri History will be unveiled, covering the period between the years 1794-1815.

The United States Daughters of 1812 represent a Society which was incorporated by the United States Congress, and which has been given the key to the Chalmette Monument in New Orleans by the United States Congress.

The objects of the Society are patriotic, educational, historic and civic.

The men who contributed extensive territory, established permanent trading centers, discovered scientific truths in Physiology and the Applied Arts, rendered unparalleled military service against a savage enemy, excelled in construction, statesmanship and impartial jurisprudence, launched the public Schools and originated the New Idea of Nationalism—were mostly men of the period represented by the N. S. U. S. D. 1812, the Heroic Age in Missouri History.

While all patriotic citizens are concerned in solving the present problems, before our country, while every hand is stretched out to aid the suffering in our own and foreign lands, brought on by a war between civilized man—would it not be well and patriotic to pause a moment to pay a loving tribute to our fore-fathers and to give a grateful thought in acknowledgement of our debt of gratitude to the men and women who fought with Indian savages to defend their homesteads and villages from extermination—thus bequeathing to us, their descendants, a civilization that is so rich and complete as to be impossible to conceive of or to describe?